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**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior version, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

- 5 Claim 1 (currently amended): A backlight module comprising:  
an assembly of a rear substrate and a front substrate, a hermetic  
discharge gap being formed there between and mounted with power  
electrodes;  
a discharge gas filled in the discharge gap, the discharge gas being  
10 discharged by the power electrodes; ~~and~~  
a plurality of fluorescent layers of different color emissions disposed  
on a surface of the assembly of the rear substrate and front  
substrate;  
a light-shielding layer disposed under the two adjacent fluorescent  
15 layers of different color emissions; and  
an opening disposed under each fluorescent layer.

- Claim 2 (original): The backlight module of claim 1, wherein the  
fluorescent layers of different color emissions are disposed on an inner  
20 surface of the assembly of the rear substrate and the front substrate inside  
the discharge gap.

- Claim 3 (original): The backlight module of claim 1, wherein the  
fluorescent layers of different color emissions are disposed on an outer  
25 surface of the front substrate outside the discharge gap.

Claim 4 (cancelled)

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Claim 5 (currently amended): The backlight module of claim [[4]] 1,  
wherein the light-shielding layer is a first reflective layer.

5 Claim 6 (currently amended): The backlight module of claim [[4]] 1,  
wherein the light-shielding layer is a black matrix.

10 Claim 7 (currently amended): The backlight module of claim [[1]] 5,  
further comprising a second reflective layer disposed on an inner surface of  
the assembly of the rear substrate and the front substrate inside the  
discharge gap.

15 Claim 8 (original): The backlight module of claim 1, wherein the  
fluorescent layers of different color emissions are arranged in a delta shape,  
in a mosaic shape, in a first strip shape, or in a second strip shape.

Claim 9 (original): The backlight module of claim 1, wherein the rear  
substrate and the front substrate are made of a glass material.

20 Claim 10 (currently amended): A liquid crystal display comprising:  
a liquid crystal panel, the liquid crystal panel comprising:  
a first substrate;  
a second substrate parallel with and spaced apart from the first  
substrate; and  
25 a liquid crystal layer disposed between the first substrate and the  
second substrate; and  
a backlight module, operable to illuminate the liquid crystal panel  
for displaying color images, and the backlight module including a  
plurality of fluorescent layers configured to emit light of

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different colors to the liquid crystal panel;  
a light-shielding layer disposed under the two adjacent fluorescent  
layers of different color emissions; and  
an opening disposed under each fluorescent layer.

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Claim 11 (original): The liquid crystal display of claim 10, wherein the  
backlight module further comprising:

an assembly of a third substrate and a fourth substrate above the  
third substrate, a hermetic discharge gap being formed there between  
10 and mounted with power electrodes;

a discharge gas filled in the discharge gap, and the discharge gas  
being discharged by the power electrodes; and

a plurality of fluorescent layers of different color emissions being  
disposed on a surface of the assembly of the third substrate and the  
15 fourth substrate.

Claim 12 (original): The liquid crystal display of claim 11, wherein the  
fluorescent layers of different color emissions are disposed on an inner  
surface of the assembly of the third substrate and the fourth substrate  
20 inside the discharge gap.

Claim 13 (original): The liquid crystal display of claim 11, wherein the  
fluorescent layers of different color emissions are disposed on an outer  
surface of the fourth substrate outside the discharge gap.

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Claim 14 (cancelled)

Claim 15 (currently amended): The liquid crystal display of claim ~~[[14]]~~ 10,

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wherein the light-shielding layer is a first reflective layer.

Claim 16 (currently amended): The liquid crystal display of claim ~~[[14]]~~ 10, wherein the light-shielding layer is a black matrix.

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Claim 17 (currently amended): The liquid crystal display of claim ~~[[11]]~~ 15, further comprising a second reflective layer disposed on an inner surface of the assembly of the third substrate and the fourth substrate inside the discharge gap.

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Claim 18 (original): The liquid crystal display of claim 11, wherein the fluorescent layers of different color emissions are arranged in a delta shape, in a mosaic shape, in a first strip shape, or in a second strip shape.

15 Claim 19 (original): The liquid crystal display of claim 11, wherein the fourth substrates is permeable to ultraviolet rays.

Claim 20 (new): A backlight module comprising:

20 an assembly of a rear substrate and a front substrate, a hermetic discharge gap being formed there between and mounted with power electrodes;  
a discharge gas filled in the discharge gap, the discharge gas being discharged by a luminous body; and  
a plurality of fluorescent layers of different color emissions disposed  
25 on a surface of the assembly of the rear substrate and front substrate.

Claim 21 (new): The backlight module of claim 20, wherein the luminous

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body comprises a cold cathode flat fluorescence lamp (CCFFL) and a light emitting diode (LED).

Claim 22 (new): The backlight module of claim 20, wherein the fluorescent  
5 layers of different color emissions are disposed on an inner surface of the assembly of the rear substrate and the front substrate inside the discharge gap.

Claim 23 (new): The backlight module of claim 20, wherein the fluorescent  
10 layers of different color emissions are disposed on an outer surface of the front substrate outside the discharge gap.

Claim 24 (new): The backlight module of claim 20, further comprising a  
light-shielding layer disposed between the two adjacent fluorescent layers  
15 of different color emissions.

Claim 25 (new): The backlight module of claim 24, wherein the  
light-shielding layer is a first reflective layer.

20 Claim 26 (new): The backlight module of claim 25, wherein the light-shielding layer is a black matrix.

Claim 27 (new): The backlight module of claim 25, further comprising a  
second reflective layer disposed on an inner surface of the assembly of the  
25 rear substrate and the front substrate inside the discharge gap.

Claim 28 (new): The backlight module of claim 20, wherein the fluorescent  
layers of different color emissions are arranged in a delta shape, in a

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mosaic shape, in a first strip shape, or in a second strip shape.

Claim 29 (new): The backlight module of claim 20, wherein the rear substrate and the front substrate are made of a glass material.

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